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REPLY TO ACTION OF JULY 18, 2006

Claims 1-38 are pending with claims 1, 12, 17, and 21-26 being independent.
Reconsideration and allowance of this application are requested in view of the following
remarks.

Independent claims 1, 12, 17 and 21-26, along with their dependent claims 3, 6-11, 13-
16, 18-20, and 27-38 have been rejected under §102(e) as being anticipated by Tsimelzon (U.S.
Patent No. 6,834,306). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

Claims 1, 12, and 17 each recite "creating a user profile including a request to receive at
least one alert corresponding to *a state change at a remote server*" and "instructing the *remote
server* to generate an alert feed *in response to the remote server detecting the state change*"
(emphasis added). Applicants request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claims
1, 12, and 17, and their dependent claims 3, 6-11, 13-16, 18-20, and 27-38, because Tsimelzon
does not describe or suggest instructing a *remote server* to generate an alert feed in response to
the remote server detecting a change in state at the remote server.

Instead, Tsimelzon describes a server that periodically retrieves a web page from a web
server to determine whether a portion of the web page meets a notification condition specified by
a user and notifies the user if the portion of the retrieved web page meets the notification
condition. See Tsimelzon at col. 2, lines 5-21. In the Response to Arguments section of the
Final Office Action, the Examiner clarifies that he is equating server 120 with the recited remote
server. See Final Office Action at page 13. The server 120, however, is not instructed to
generate an alert feed in response to detection by server 120 of a state change at server 120.